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REMARKS

In reply to the Office Action of August 13, 2003, Applicants have again cancelled claim 9. In fact, claim 9 was cancelled by the Amendment filed February 4, 2003.

Claims 1-6 and 10 are now the claims remaining in this application, all of which have been allowed. Immediate issuance of a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

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aryl groups are unsubstituted or substituted with (1-6C)alkyl, (3-12C)cycloalkyl, (1-6C)alkoxy or halogen; and

R^3 is selected from (1-8C)alkyl and (3-8C)cycloalkyl, which are unsubstituted or substituted with (3-6C)cycloalkyl or (1-6C)alkoxy, and from (7-15C)aralkyl, wherein the aryl groups are unsubstituted or substituted with (1-6C)alkyl, (3-6C)cycloalkyl, (1-6C)alkoxy, CF_3 or halogen and from Het-(1-6C)alkyl.

5. (Previously presented) The serine protease inhibitor according to claim 4, wherein

J is $-CH_2COO$(1-6C)alkyl, (3-8C)cycloalkyl, $-SO_2$-10-camphor, $-CH_2CONH$phenyl or $-CH_2CONH$(3-8C)cycloalkyl;

Z is D-cyclohexylalaninyl, D-phenylalaninyl, D-diphenylalaninyl or glutamyl, or an (1-6C)alkylester thereof; and

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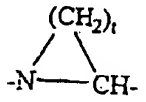

, wherein t is 3 or 4.

6. (Previously presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising the serine protease inhibitor of claim 1 and at least one pharmaceutically suitable auxillary.

Claims 7 - 9 Cancelled)

10. (Previously presented) A method of effecting serine protease inhibition in a mammal, comprising administering an effective amount of a serine protease inhibitor according to claim 1.